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Misbranding of the article in the shipment of November 19, 1917, was alleged for the reason that the statements, to wit, "Egg Noodles" and "8 ounces net weight when packed," not corrected by the statement "6 ounces," indistinctly stamped with rubber stamp, borne on the box containing the article, regarding it and the ingredients and substances contained therein, were false and misleading in that they represented that the article was egg noodles, and that said boxes contained 8 ounces net weight when packed, and for further reason that it was labeled as aforesaid so as to deceive and mislead the purchaser into the belief that it was egg noodles, and that said boxes contained 8 ounces net when packed, whereas, in truth and in fact, it was not egg noodles, but was an alimentary paste containing little or no egg, and said boxes did not contain 8 ounces net when packed, but contained a less amount. Misbranding of the article was alleged for the further reason that it was a food in package form, and the quantity of the contents was not plainly and conspicuously marked on the outside of the package.

On August 4, 1919, the defendant entered a plea of guilty to the information, and the court imposed a fine of \$50.

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**7143. Misbranding of Liebig's Diarrhoea Cordial. U. S. \* \* \* v. Parker-Blake Co., Ltd., a corporation. Plea of guilty. Fine, \$10. (F. & D. No. 9783. I. S. No. 6124-r.)**

On June 16, 1919, the United States attorney for the Eastern District of Louisiana, acting upon a report by the Secretary of Agriculture, filed in the District Court of the United States for said district an information against the Parker-Blake Co., Ltd., a corporation, New Orleans, La., alleging shipment by said company, in violation of the Food and Drugs Act, as amended, on or about July 3, 1918, from the State of Louisiana into the State of Mississippi, of a quantity of an article, labeled in part "Liebig's Diarrhoea Cordial," which was misbranded.

Analysis of a sample of the article by the Bureau of Chemistry of this department showed it to contain  $\frac{1}{8}$  grain of morphine sulphate per fluid ounce and 6.27 per cent of alcohol by volume, and to consist essentially of a solution of morphine sulphate, catechu, tannin, oil of cassia, oil of peppermint, sugar, alcohol, and water.

It was alleged in substance that the article was misbranded for the reason that certain statements appearing on the labels of the bottles and cartons falsely and fraudulently represented it as a remedy for cholera and dysentery, when, in truth and in fact, it was not. Misbranding of the article was alleged for the further reason that the statement, to wit, "It may be taken with perfect safety by infants while teething," borne on the carton containing the said article, regarding the article and the ingredients and substances contained therein, was false and misleading in that it represented that the said article could be taken with perfect safety by infants while teething without injury to health, whereas, in truth and in fact, said article contained a poisonous ingredient, to wit, morphine sulphate, which could not be administered with perfect safety to infants while teething, or at any time, without injury to health.

On June 16, 1919, the defendant company entered a plea of guilty, and the court imposed a fine of \$10.

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